

MINUTES

The twelfth meeting of the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University was called to order at 5:03pm on February 10, 2004 with the Executive Vice President in the chair

A motion to approve the minutes was made. Seconded. *Motion approved unanimously.*

There were 25 members out of 29 present.

President John Bradley

- The university experienced a great loss this past weekend. Please keep the families and friends in your thoughts.
- Dana Lockhart will be appointed to the University Senate during Special Orders.
- There are a few appointed positions we need filled: the coordinator of committees, city commission liaison, and the University Publications committee. We also need an alternate student and faculty member to serve on the College of Education complaints committee. This week we will compile a list of all members of academic complaints committees and fill the spots we need to.
- The Parking and Traffic committee met and the proposal of the structure has changed. We won't lose 125 spots in Diddle; instead we will retain 85 spots. The improvements on the existing structure were clarified. The stain is also a sealer that will prolong the life of the existing structure.
- The rally last week was a success. We made our case to about 10 legislators. Those that saw the rally were moved by our presence.

Executive Vice President Patti Johnson

- Reminders: you must serve on at least one committee, legislation is due on Mondays by 5pm, and come defend your legislation so it can go up for second reading.
- On April 27, we will have our SGA banquet and on April 28, we will have the Senior Awards banquet. Both events will be held at the Kentucky Museum.

Vice President of Finance Nick Todd

- If you need to spend money, please come see me first.

There were no changes to the budget of Public Relations Abby Lovan

- There will be a lot going on this semester so if you need something put on the seconds please come tell me.

Vice President of Administration Jessica Martin

- Committee heads please remember to turn in your reports.

Committee Reports

Coordinator of Committees-

-No Report

Academic Affairs-Natalie Croney

- Meets Wednesdays at 4:30pm in the SGA office.
- Will have a piece of legislation up for first reading next week.

Campus Improvements-Shawn Peavie

- Meets Tuesdays at 4:30pm in front of the Bookstore.
- Working on tree legislation. We are going to purchase three trees and a plaque in honor of the girls killed this weekend. We may also purchase three bricks for the Student Plaza for them.

Legislative Research-Robert Watkins

- Meets Monday at 5pm in the SGA office.

Public Relations-Brittany Fausey and Evelina Petkova

- Meets Wednesdays at 5pm in front of the Bookstore

Student Affairs-Katie Dawson and Tim Howard

- Will meet on Thursday at 5pm in the SGA office.
- Will discuss the parking structure.

Information Technology Director

The website has and will be updated.

Special Orders

One new Congress member was sworn in.

Judicial Council report

Will meet next Thursday at 7pm in the SGA office. The candidate meeting will be at 7pm in the office on Tuesday. Election codes are up for second reading.

University Senate report

Academic quality met. The first issue to be dealt with is the drop/add issue and after that we will tackle plus/minus grading. The next meeting is next Tuesday at 3:30pm in Grise.

Unfinished Business

Bill 03-10-F New Constitution and Bylaws

Robert Watkins defended the legislation saying that it was a long process and that there were some friendly amendments to make. During questions, John Law asked if major changes were going to be made with the amendments. Watkins said it wasn't anything substantial. *There was a motion and second to approve.* Watkins made an amendment to the bill, changing "maniple" to "malleable." There were also four amendments to the Bylaws. Article III Section 1 was rewritten to read "Attendance and active involvement within the Student Government Association shall be considered an important part of and expectation of all elected and appointed members within each branch of SGA." In Article III Sections 3 and 4, "people" was changed to "students." In Article III Section 5, "or" was added after "and" in the first sentence. *The motion passed unanimously.*

Election Codes

Troy Ransdell defended the codes saying that they were simple how the elections were governed. During questions, John Law wanted to know exactly when the candidates could get the filing papers and when they would file. Ransdell said the filing papers were given out at the candidate meeting and they would file that day. Dana Lockhart asked if people would be considered for exemptions if they don't make it to the candidate meeting on February 17. Ransdell said they could be. *There was a motion and a second to approve.* There was no debate. *The motion passed with general consent.*

Bill 04-17-S Congress Attendance Motivator

Brittany Fausey defended the legislation saying that the committee chose to reward people with Big Red Dollars because they could be used anywhere on campus. There were no questions. *There was a motion and a second to approve.* During debate, Nick Todd said that even though the budget was on a freeze, we shouldn't have trouble getting it for this. John Law said the legislation was a bad idea and that we shouldn't have to bribe members fulfill their oaths. *The motion passed with general consent.*

New Business

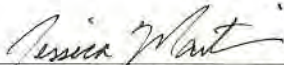
NONE

Announcements

The shuttle shelter we approved last semester has been put up.

A memorial service for the three Phi Mu's will be held on Friday at 6pm at Van Meter.

The meeting was adjourned by general consent at 5:40pm



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